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Full Freeway Closure and Other Upcoming Construction Activities Planned on I-15 CORE

Lane Restrictions and Ramp Closures Could Also Add Extra Travel Time

LEHI, Utah (Nov. 1, 2010) — For the week of Nov. 1, construction teams on UDOT's Utah County I-15 Corridor Expansion (I-15 CORE) are scheduled to close Interstate 15 in American Fork for bridge work. While ramp restrictions in the area will be in place, lane closures will be lifted to bring some construction relief. The following is a brief description of significant I-15 CORE activities this week:

I-15, 500 East American Fork

The full freeway closure originally planned for last week was delayed due to weather. Both directions of I-15 will now close at 500 East on Monday, Nov. 1, from 11 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. while crews pour concrete on the south bridge of the new 500 East interchange. Lane restrictions begin at 9 p.m. While I-15 is closed, both northbound and southbound traffic will be diverted through the on- and off-ramps at 500 East.

All northbound ramps at the 500 East I-15 interchange are scheduled to close for 20 days starting Tuesday morning. Southbound ramps have re-opened. Access on 500 East over I-15 will remain open during these extended closures. Motorists are advised to use the American Fork Main Street or Pleasant Grove Boulevard interchanges to State Street as alternate routes. Detour maps are available on the I-15 CORE website (udot.utah.gov/i15core).

I-15, 100 East American Fork to 200 South Lindon

One northbound I-15 lane from 200 South in Lindon to 100 East in American Fork remains closed for concrete paving. Depending on weather, the closure will be in place for the next two weeks. The restriction to three lanes on southbound I-15 between American Fork and Lindon has been lifted. UDOT is timing traffic signals to keep State Street as a good alternate to I-15. Heavy delays through peak travel times are expected.

Lehi Main Street

Lehi Main Street under I-15 is scheduled to close Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 1 and 2, from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. as crews place beams to widen the new bridge. Motorists can use Lehi Main Street to State Street to 850 East as an alternate route. During the work, one I-15 lane in each direction will close.

Provo Center Street Interchange

At Provo Center Street the southbound off-ramp and northbound on-ramp is expected to close for several nights late this week so utility crews can relocate a fiber-optic cable in the area.

The exact start and completion dates will depend on weather, so drivers are encouraged to check the I-15 CORE website (udot.utah.gov/i15core) for the latest information. To minimize delays, UDOT encourages motorists to TravelWise by carpooling, telecommuting, using alternate routes and shifting travel times to avoid commuting hours. Stay informed by signing up for weekly e-mail updates at udot.utah.gov/i15core, following the project on facebook.com/i15core and twitter.com/i15core and receiving text updates by texting "i15" to 53535.

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